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SUBJECT: GEORGE WILLARD ATKINSON

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1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE EMBASSY'S CABLE TO YOU OF
MARCH 29 CONCERNING YOUR CONSTITUENT, MRS. CONSTANCE
RILEY OF 229 LORAIN DRIVE, APT 335 ALTAMONTE SPINGS,
FLORIDA 32701. WE ARE FORWARDING TO YOUR OFFICE VIA
INTERNATIONAL AIR MAIL THE FOLLOWING:

A. COPY OF REPORT GIVEN ORALLY IN APRIL 1978,
BY CAPTAIN RUBEN FOGELSTROM, RETIRED MASTER OF
S/S ARNETA TO MR. GUNNAR DAMSTROM, FORMER
EMPLOYEE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VESSEL'S OWNERS,
REDERIBOLAGET RE-BE, HELSINKI, FINLAND. REPORT
CONCERNS DEATH BY DROWNING OF A U.S. CITIZEN,
GEORGE WILLARD ATKINSON, BROTHER OF MRS. RILEY
ON APRIL 28, 1952 IN PARAMARIBO, SURINAM WHILE
SERVING AS MEMBER OF THE CREW OF FINNISH
REGISTERED VESSEL S/S ARNETA.

B. COPY OF SHIP'S REPORT OF WAGES PAID TO
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GEORGE WILLARD ATKINSON DURING PERIOD
2/15/52 AND 4/28/52. THE REPORT IS IN
SWEDISH AND HAS BEEN TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH
BY THE EMBASSY. THE FIGURES ON WAGES PAID TO
GEORGE WILLARD ATKINSON AND DEBTS OWED BY
GEORGE WILLARD ATKINSON TO THE SHIP ARE IN
FINNMARKS. IN 1952 RATE OF EXCHANGE WAS

FINNMARKS 228.00 (TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY EIGHT)
TO U.S. \$1.00.

2. NO FURTHER DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE FROM CAPTAIN
FOGELSTROM, MR. DAMSTROM, OR OTHER SOURCES IN HELSINKI.
WE ARE SEEKING ADVICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
REGARDING ISSUANCE OF A DEATH CERTIFICATE AND WILL
INFORM YOU FURTHER.
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